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Reporting for week ending May 7, 2006

General

Overcast skies and scattered showers were prevalent throughout much of the week. The week ended with the arrival of a cool front which provided showers in the southern portion of the state. There were 5.0 days suitable for field work. Soil moisture supplies were 1% very short, 14% short, 69% adequate and 16% surplus.

Crops

The corn crop was in fair to mostly good condition with 92% reported emerged. Nearly one-third of the soybean crop had been planted with 17% of the crop emerged. Sorghum planting was 68% complete with nearly half of the crop emerged. Cotton planting was 38% complete. Rice planting was 87% complete with crop emergence at 62%. Winter Wheat heading remained ahead of its normal rate with the crop in mostly good condition.

Livestock

Livestock remained in good condition. Farmers continued to fertilize pastures and work cattle last week. Recent rains improved pasture and hay crop conditions.

Percent of Progress					
Crop	Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	2005	5 Year Avg
Corn	Planted	100	98	97	98
	Emerged	98	92	81	89
Cotton	Planted	62	38	50	51
Rice	Planted	94	87	86	87
	Emerged	85	62	49	62
Sorghum	Planted	82	68	75	77
	Emerged	70	49	51	56
Soybeans	Planted	38	32	38	31
	Emerged	29	17	19	16
Wheat	Headed	99	88	91	93

Condition in Percentages					
Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Corn	0	0	28	52	20
Rice	0	2	29	50	19
Wheat	0	5	21	50	24
Hay-other	1	5	32	58	4
Hay-Alfalfa	0	0	46	54	0
Pasture & Range	2	8	34	49	7

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Temperatures and Precipitation Week Ending: May 7, 2006

District	Station	Temperatures			Rainfall				
		High	Low	Dep from Normal	Wk Ending May 7	May Accum	May Normal	Jan -April	
								2006	Normal
North west	Fayetteville	80	49	1	1.64	1.64	1.05	10.38	13.13
	Harrison	80	51	0	3.36	3.36	1.07	22.11	13.66
N. Central	Calico Rock	83	50	1	1.87	1.87	1.10	16.66	14.84
	Gilbert	84	50	0	1.61	1.61	1.13	18.04	13.88
	Greers Ferry	80	50	-2	3.00	3.00	1.19	20.22	17.01
	Mountain Home	81	49	0	1.27	1.27	1.05	16.42	14.40
Northeast	Batesville	84	52	1	3.35	3.35	1.17	17.32	15.90
	Jonesboro	86	54	1	1.01	1.01	1.19	17.13	16.35
	Keiser	89	50	1	2.35	2.35	1.26	15.68	17.29
	Newport	84	53	-1	1.15	1.15	1.12	23.48	16.68
W. Central	Booneville	85	50	0	1.07	1.07	1.28	13.03	14.75
	Clarksville	83	54	2	1.13	1.13	1.17	15.84	14.73
	Dardanelle	83	55	2	1.37	1.37	1.23	16.98	15.24
	Ft. Smith	86	54	3	1.31	1.31	1.14	16.10	12.88
	Mena	81	52	2	1.40	1.40	1.49	14.47	17.40
	Ozark	83	53	1	1.62	1.62	1.11	20.52	13.71
Central	Conway	82	54	-1	3.15	3.15	1.06	17.64	16.24
	Hot Springs	84	56	2	0.27	0.60	1.44	18.37	18.32
	Little Rock	83	55	0	2.49	2.49	1.21	18.66	17.34
	N Little Rock	83	53	-1	2.40	2.40	1.26	18.34	16.61
E. Central	Brinkley	85	55	0	4.00	4.00	1.33	15.61	17.70
	Marianna	87	54	-1	1.73	1.73	1.26	19.76	18.95
	Stuttgart	87	54	0	2.20	2.20	1.21	18.20	17.64
Southwest	Hope	85	55	2	1.36	1.36	1.12	12.98	18.03
	Texarkana	86	57	3	0.96	0.96	0.91	12.71	14.20
	Camden	87	53	1	0.93	0.93	1.05	12.04	18.45
S. Central	El Dorado	85	53	-1	0.86	0.86	1.18	20.08	18.87
	Warren	83	56	1	0.75	0.75	1.07	18.57	20.60
Southeast	Eudora	88	58	2	0.76	0.76	1.33	26.82	22.89
	Pine Bluff	85	56	0	1.63	1.63	1.19	16.76	18.44
	Rohwer	85	58	1	1.46	1.46	1.12	22.76	19.67